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Ref: OIA-6028

Dear Phil

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 31 October 2019 regarding the NZ Transport Agency's response to your previous request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) concerning G-Suite (Ref: OIA-5611 and OIA-5694). You have requested the following further information:

...there appears to be some info missing about G-Suite

The OIA asks for info re both FB Workplace, and G-Suite - about how and why TA came to use them

On p2 of the cover letter, TA says "With regards to Google G Suite, I refuse your request under 18(e) of the Act as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or cannot be found."

However, OIA5649 p2 shows that NZTA has a contract with Google for G-Suite.

Pls advise how it is possible there are no documents that exist or can be found given this contract exists. How was it procured if there are no docs?

Pls release all documents relevant to the procurement of G-Suite, as I suggest should have occurred under 5877 already.

Separately:

I note the reference in my original request to 'Apigee and Mulesoft' was a mistake; it should have read 'FB Workplace and G-Suite', and I resubmit this OIA request as such.

As I advised you in my response of 29 October 2019, the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or cannot be found. Therefore, I stand by my decision to refuse this information under section 18(e) of the Act.

Your mentioning of "Apigee and Mulesoft" did not influence how we responded to your request. Therefore, my previous response of 29 October 2019 to your request still stands.

As you are aware, the Deloitte report highlighted that the former CJS group did not always follow the Transport Agency's standard processes, and therefore, not all CJS procurement activities followed appropriate procurement policy and advice. This, combined with poor record keeping practices, resulted in the lack of CJS-related documentation that is currently held by the Transport Agency.

As a result of the Deloitte report, the Transport Agency's internal procurement guidance has been reviewed, and additional training provided for people with procurement responsibilities.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to withhold some information. You can find the contact details for the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Andy Knackstedt, Senior Media Manager, by email to andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on 04 894 6285.

Yours sincerely



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